

TESTIMONY OF  
CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF POLICE UNIONS  
AFSCME, COUNCIL 15

BEFORE THE LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES COMMITTEE OF  
THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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**Regarding SB 426 AAC EMPLOYEE ONLINE PRIVACY**

AFSCME Council 15, Connecticut Council of Police, is a labor union representing the interests of 3000 police officers in 56 municipal communities throughout Connecticut.

We have some concerns about SB 426 as drafted. While it protects employees' privacy rights, it exempts law enforcement from these protections. If the intent of this law is to exempt only pre-employment investigations, we would suggest that the language be made clearer. We would suggest deleting the words "OR REVIEW" on lines 10 and 11. This change would permit a law enforcement agency to conduct a comprehensive review of potential law enforcement candidates prior to hiring.

We urge you to support with this change. Thank you for your consideration.